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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
7 AT SEATTLE

8 WORD TO INFO, INC.,

Case No. C17-0596RSM

9 Plaintiff,

10 v.

ORDER STAYING CASE

11 MICROSOFT CORPORATION,

12 Defendant.  
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14 On July 12, 2017, the parties filed their Joint Status Report (“JSR”) in this matter. Dkt.  
15 #29. In that JSR, the parties alerted the Court that this patent infringement case involves seven  
16 patents-in-suit that relate to natural language processing, which patents-in-suit are also the  
17 subject of litigation with other defendants in several other Districts. *Id.* One such litigation is  
18 currently on appeal in the Federal Circuit (the *Facebook* appeal). That appeal involves the  
19 construction of two patent claims that will also need to be construed in the litigation in this Court.  
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21 *Id.*

22 On August 9, 2017, the Court held a telephonic status conference to address the  
23 scheduling of a trial date in this matter. Having listened to the parties’ arguments, and having  
24 reviewed the JSR, the Court now hereby finds and ORDERS:  
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- 26 1. The Clerk shall enter a STAY in this matter pending the outcome of *Word to Info,*  
27 *Inc. v. Facebook, Inc.*, Case No. 2017-1431 (Fed. Cir. Dec. 16, 2016) (the *Facebook*  
28 appeal). The Court agrees with Defendant that this stay, which is expected to be short

1 in duration, will result in more efficient litigation in this Court, and will not prejudice  
2 Plaintiff at this time.

- 3 2. The parties shall promptly notify the Court when the *Facebook* appeal has concluded  
4 through the filing of a Joint Status Report setting forth new proposals based on the  
5 results of that litigation.  
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7 3. If the *Facebook* appeal has not been resolved as of **February 9, 2018**, the parties shall  
8 submit a Joint Status Report at that time indicating the status of the appeal and their  
9 positions on whether a stay should continue.

10 DATED this 9 day of August, 2017.  
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15 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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